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 FROM : Chief, Contact Division, OO *FRANTISEK*

DATE: 9 August 1950

SUBJECT: Further Interrogation of Colonel *FRANTISEK**ALSO KUSHAL, COL.**FRANTISEK*

REFERENCE: (a) DCE 389  
 (b) Your memorandum 18 July 1950, same subject.

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1. Attached hereto is additional operational information developed from further interrogation of Colonel KUSHAL along the lines of the brief attached to your referenced memorandum.

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Enclosure (A) - Additional operational information on Col. KUSHAL

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Enclosure A - Further Interrogation of Colonel Kushal

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1. Col. Kushal originated the idea of sending Monitch and Kananchuk to Byelorussia. He directly recruited Monitch while Kananchuk was recruited by Lt. Staroshelski, an aid of Col. Kushal's. Kushal received financial aid from Samultin and assumes that Samultin received some of his funds from the US authorities. Both men were chosen for their youth, courage and patriotism, as well as for the fact that neither of them appeared to be either intellectuals or military types.

2. Col. Kushal has no details of method of contact with the priest in Siemiatice. He assumes that contact was made through Kananchuk and states that fuller details on this question are contained in Enclosure B.

3. Monitch's eyes were not blindfolded while crossing the Polish-Byelorussian frontier. He left Poland by night and arrived in Byelorussia, and consequently assumes that in so doing he must have crossed the frontier.

4. Kananchuk put Monitch in a freight car. Monitch left the freight car shortly prior to his arrival in Novogrodek. Further details on this are also contained in Enclosure B. Kushal states that he does not believe that frontier traffic controls are very stringent between satellite states and Soviet territory inasmuch as the Soviets control all traffic in both anyway.

5. Monitch established his bona fides with the partisans only after extensive interrogation by the partisans. Kananchuk had given him no instructions and, as a matter of fact, Monitch did not know that Kananchuk was contacting the partisans until the guide was brought to him. This was the case mainly because Kananchuk himself did not want to give Monitch any information that could be useful to secret police. The partisans had been notified of Monitch's arrival by Kananchuk but through no other channels. Monitch had never before been associated with the partisan movement.

6. While in the Soviet Union, Monitch lived with the partisans. He carried no Soviet documents. If arrested, he was to say that he was returning to his home town as he had been officially repatriated in Poland and merely wanted to get home. The partisans received supplies from local peasants who were sympathetic with their cause. Arms and munitions consist of those captured during the war.

7. Monitch and Kalka crossed the border into Poland on foot via forests and marshes along the border. They evaded all villages and traveled at night. Enclosure B contains information as to the exact spot at which the border was crossed.

8. Monitch spoke of returning to the partisans while with them. He was told that if he or another should return, they must first stop at Kananchuk's. Monitch was furthermore supplied with a password to be used by any men that Kushal might send back to the partisans.

9. Monitch brought back no other messages than those that have already been reported.

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10. Col. Kushal can contact Monitch in Munich. He would be very glad to get a letter of introduction to Monitch upon request. It is felt that such a letter would be necessary if full cooperation were to be expected from Monitch.

11. Three days ago, Kushal received a letter from Monitch in Munich, stating that the US Government, presumably through Sammltin, had suggested that he return to Byelorussia. He was asked to collect military information only. Kushal has no other details.

12. Attached as Enclosure B, and written in the Russian language, is a transcript of what took place during the trip of Monitch and Kenanovitch to the partisans.

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